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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Restriction Requirement, mailed June 29, 2006, in connection with the above application, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group II, claims 1-16, as they relate to methods of modulating lipid metabolism in an animal comprising administering a hedgehog antagonist. Applicants traverse this requirement on the grounds that simultaneous examination of both groups would not impose a significant additional burden on the examiner.

With respect to the election of species, Applicants elect, for search purposes only, atherosclerosis. Claims 1, 4, 5, 6, and 12-16 read on the elected species.

The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-951-7000. Should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and

request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945 under Order No. CIBT-P02-115.**

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